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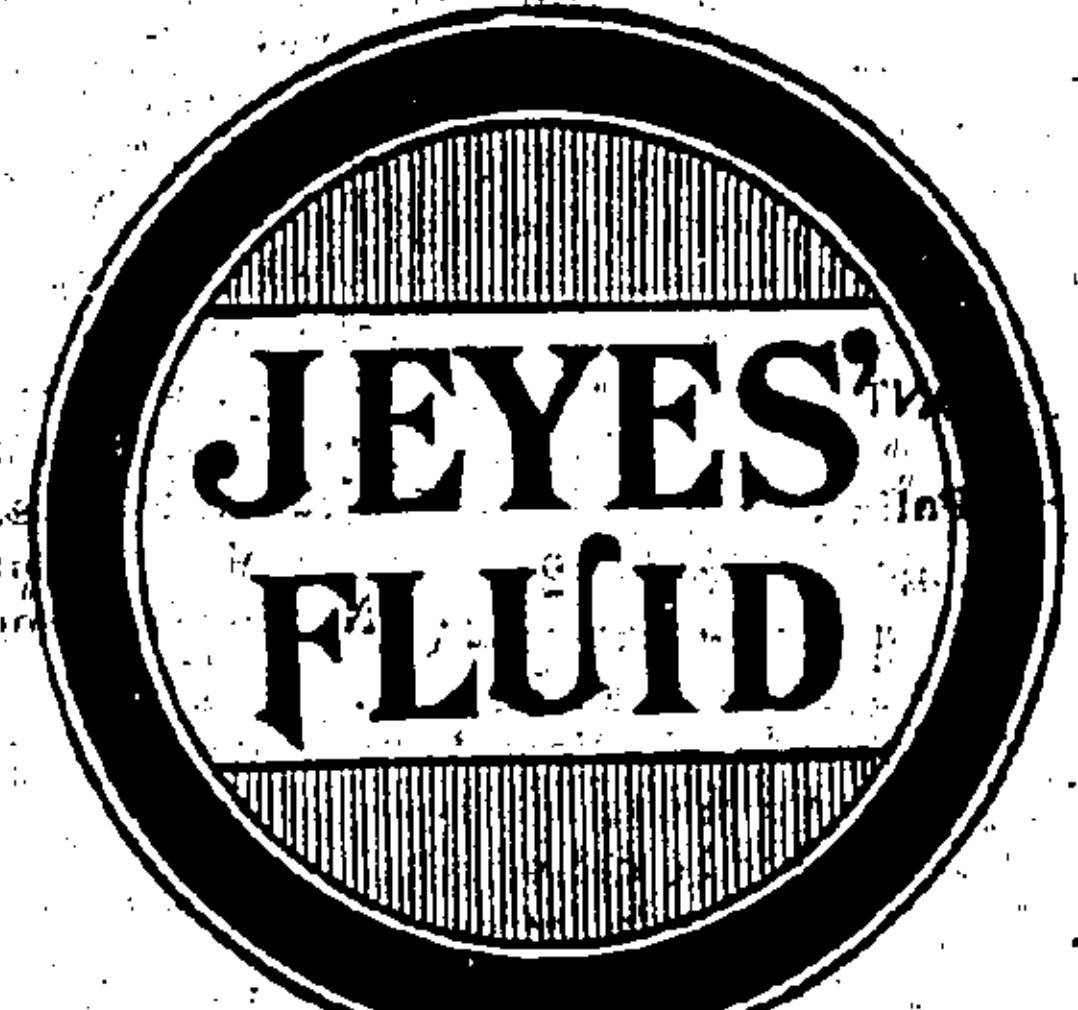
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GENERAL NEWS.

Peking, January 25.

Rumors in Peking are persistent
to the effect that something
similar to last summer's
monarchical restoration is likely
to happen in Peking. The police
are busy hunting down the rum-
our mongers, who are believed to
be agents of the southern rebels.
From Seaman to Cadet.A new naval record has been
made by J. R. Stevenson, a boy
of the training ship Mercury,
which is under the charge of Mr.
C. B. Fry. He entered the Navy
as an able seaman, and afterwards
passed an examination for special
entry to a cadet ship. He is now
a cadet, and in a few months will
be a midshipman, on an equal
footing with former Osborne and
Dartmouth pupils.Passage for War Widows.
Allahabad, January 25.—The
Government of India has decided
to allow war widows with children
to proceed to the United King-
dom on special ships. Each lady
will receive a gratuity of 100
rupees from the Government.
General which she must produce
before the passport issuing officer.
The first boat will leave Bombay
about the 25th instant.Catholic Father's Death.
The death of the Rev. Fr.
Albert Charles Fels of the Roman
Catholic Mission in Kyushu,
Japan, is announced by a
Nagasaki contemporary. He
passed away at the residence of
the Bishop of Nagasaki on the
8th inst. He arrived in Japan
in 1872. The chief object of his
labours was the Goto Islands
where he laboured for thirty
years and where he leaves 15,800
members of the Church.Beer Substitute for Tea.
Liverpool, February 5.—Beer
was substituted for tea as a
beverage at the annual dinner
which the Mayor of Southport
gives to the aged poor of that
city. More than five hundred
guests were served. The Mayor
apologized for his failure to
furnish tea, stating that owing to
market shortage he had been
unable to obtain a sufficient
quantity to supply all those pre-
sent, but instead of the customary
tea he had decided to give each
of them a glass of beer and six
pence.

The Funeral of the Late

T. R. Sayle.

The remains of the late Mr.
Thomas R. Sayle, were laid to
rest at the Bubbling Well
Cemetery at Shanghai, in the
presence of a large gathering of
the deceased's relatives and
friends. The ceremony was con-
ducted by Rev. A. J. Walker,
M.A. In spite of a request that
no floral tributes should be sent,
many wreaths covered the coffin,
one being from the
deceased's uncle and aunt,
Mr. and Mrs. B. J. Phipps,
and family and Mr. and Mrs. C.
Richardson, the Chief Magistrate,
and Captain J. B. Baker.
Messrs. Burton, Messrs. and
Lesch and Messrs. Messrs. and
Burton acted as pallbearers. The
The I. C. E. N. V. O. was repre-
sented by Mr. W. R. F. F. F.

A Health Association for Karachi.

Karachi, January 25.—At an
important meeting of the leading
citizens of Karachi Friday night
it was decided to form a Karachi
Health Association to endeavor
to reduce infant mortality and
dangers to mothers by organizing
trained midwives for service in
the districts and among the poor
to enlighten people in all that
concerns the care and preserva-
tion of health by means of
lectures, classes, home visits and
distribution of leaflets, to create
educated public opinion with
regard to the prevention of
malaria, phthisis, plague, and
other common diseases, to take
any measures necessary or ex-
pedient for the prevention of dis-
eases which cannot fall within the
province of the municipal body, to
local board of any department of
Government. The subjects in-
cluded the provision of
tuberculosis dispensary, bacteri-
ological institute and small mas-
sive homes in various parts of
the city. This amongst require-
at first is three lakhs, which
is expected will be subscribed
within six months. It was an-
nounced at the meeting that
three brothers, Vaidyanath, R.
Vaidyanath and R. Vaidyanath, R.
Vaidyanath, and given Rs. 25,000
for the purpose.

GENERAL NEWS.

War Trophy Appointments.
The Army Council, on the recommendation of the War Trophies Committee, have appointed Major-General C. G. Donald, C.B., Inspector of War Trophies, and Major Rockley Wilson, Inspector, on the British front.

A Hospital Denial.
The chair of the Scottish branch of the British Red Cross Society denies the statement recently made in a question in the Commons to the effect that patients at Bellenden Hospital were placed on the floor. There has always been bed accommodation for the sick and wounded.

Volunteer Force Order.
An Army Council instruction states that in future Volunteer officers provisionally appointed adjutants of Volunteer battalions will, if confirmed in their appointments, be gazetted to the General List with the temporary rank of captain. Those already appointed will be confirmed from the date of their provisional appointments as at present. For the period of their provisional appointments officers will be entitled to the pay and allowances (at infantry rates) of their rank in the Volunteer Force, but not exceeding that of a captain.

New W. A. A. C. Branch.
Those women who wish to do work with the Women's Army and yet cannot leave their homes will welcome the new branch of the W. A. A. C. which is being formed. The members of this branch will live at their homes and be employed in local hospitals and military shops. They will perform Army clerical work and work in connection with the financial department. A number of domestic workers will be required; chiefly cooks and waitresses. The khaki uniform will be worn where it is necessary for the carrying on of the work.

The Misses Woods.
The net proceeds of the performance of the society entertainers, the Misses Aileen and Doris Woods and Mrs. Harry Woods, at the Manila Club on February 19, was P343, which will be forwarded through the club to the "Blue Cross Fund" in London, headquarters of "Our Dumb Friends League," 58 Victoria Street. The Misses Woods are enthusiastic and energetic workers for the cause of the noble horses and war dogs, doing their bit at the front, and they have privately collected and sent the sum of P52 to the London office through the Chartered Bank.—*Manila Bulletin.*

Prize Essays on Prayer.
In 1916 the Walker Trust, connected with the University of St. Andrews, offered prizes for essays on prayer, and the results are announced as follows:—The winner of the £100 prize is the Rev. Samuel McComb, Baltimore, Maryland, U. S. A. Three other essays were awarded special honours of £20 each. These were: William Loftus, Hair, London; Edward J. Hawkins, Exeter; and the Rev. Alexander Forbes Phillips, Glaston, Dorset. An honorarium of £19 was given to Charles Anguine Bouquin, pasteur, Saint-Servais, S. M. Vaud, Switzerland. Two essays from India were also awarded an honorarium of £10 each. Arrangements will probably be made for publishing the leading prize essay after the war.

Miss G. Robins Dead.
The death is announced of Miss Gertrude Robins, the well-known actress and playwright. Miss Robins, whose father was Irish, took honours in Modern History at Oxford, and made her first appearance on the stage in the late Mr. Wilson Barrett's touring company, and then played with Mr. James Welch in "When Knights Were Bold." She also played with Mr. Granville Barker. She took great interest in farming, and lived in Buckinghamshire, and it was for a company of amateurs there that she wrote her successful play, "Polibio." Her comedy "Makohliff," also had considerable success. Among her many other interests were aviation, the Red Cross, and passenger carrying. She died at her home in London on March 14, 1918, and was married to Capt. Charles Dawson.

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London, January 18.—The political situation in Germany and the relations with Russia continue to be agitated in the German press, although there appear to have been no fresh developments of especial significance. An article quoted from German newspapers, received by way of Switzerland, gives an idea of the trend of the feeling in relation to these questions. The *Frankfurter Zeitung* warns its readers against undue optimism in regard to the negotiations with the Russians, whom it accuses of attempting to hinder the proceedings, both at Brest-Litovsk and at Petrograd, for their own interests.

The *Volksstimme*, of Mannheim, a Socialist paper, says that serious popular demonstrations against the German annexationist policy took place at Budapest and other towns in Hungary and Austria after Chancellor von Hertling made his statement in the Reichstag. These outbreaks, the newspaper adds, are symptomatic of what might happen in the Dual Monarchy if the negotiations should be broken off on account of the German policy.

Reports continue to be heard of the breaking up of meetings arranged by the annexationist Fatherland Party, but it is difficult to ascertain to what extent this movement has been carried. The *Deutsche Tages Zeitung* publishes an agricultural report showing that in consequence of the shortage of fodder the dead weight of cattle sent to the Berlin market is only one-half the normal, and that large numbers of milch cows must be slaughtered to provide the prescribed meat rations.

A telegram from Rotterdam says that, beginning today, all railway passengers, arriving in Germany, are being reduced 50 per cent. The published explanation is that foodstuffs and the goods

which had accumulated at certain centres must be distributed. Correspondents who send the reports to London say, however, that there is every reason to believe the transfer of troops to the western front is the real reason, adding that it is reported these troops are to be moved suddenly for a concentrated offensive.

The *Times* publishes a long report, attributed to a neutral who has made an extended stay in Germany, describing internal conditions. It does not differ to an important extent from similar reports in the past. The writer reiterates that the effects of the food shortage are severe, especially among the children, who everywhere show signs of underfeeding. It is apparent that tuberculosis is working havoc, especially among the young, while contagious dysentery, which was a serious scourge in the summer, has not ceased with the arrival of winter. It is attributable to bad food. The decline in the birth-rate, this observer continues, is causing great anxiety, especially in view of the loss of life in the war and the spread of disease.

The shortage of coal in Berlin is another source of trouble. After summing up the difficulties, the correspondent writes: "Nothing but the iron grip of Prussian militarism restrains the nation from making more pronounced advances to its adversaries than any which have yet been made. The Germans are longing for peace, but they want peace with victory. They no longer abuse their enemies, as in the early days of the war. Doubtless the shortage of supplies had much to do with the change before the discipline of fasting. This accounts for very much in recent developments of German policy."

Deporting of Chinese.
Washington, January 23.—The Supreme Court today held that the Secretary of Labour has no jurisdiction to arrest and deport Chinese aliens on the sole ground that they are found in this country in violation of the Chinese exclusion law, but that deportation can only be ordered by the United States Commissioner or a district court.

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The Transfer Books of the Company will be CLOSED from the 14th to 27th March, both days inclusive.

JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., LTD., General Agents, Hongkong, 9th March 1918.

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HOLDERS OF UNPAID WINNING TICKETS (Cash Sweeps, Places and Winners) will also be paid at the same place and between the same hours as stated above on production of tickets.

LOWE, BINGHAM & MATTHEWS,

Accountants to the Hongkong Jockey Club.

Hongkong, 26th February, 1918.

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THE SHARE REGISTER and TRANSFER BOOKS will be closed from the 15th to the 25th, both days inclusive. By Order of the Board of Directors.
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The Hongkong Telegraph.

HONGKONG, SATURDAY, MARCH 16, 1918.

THE ONLY WAY.

Mr. Lloyd George most certainly has the knack of cutting his words to his audience. That fact was again demonstrated in his stirring appeal to the Free Church Council, in which he put the issues of the war before his hearers in terms which were bound to appeal to any section of the people which concerns itself with what the Premier termed the physical and moral fibre of the nation. Cutting away all high-flown language, he contrasted German declarations with German actions, showing, by apt references to the Russian situation, how the spirit of dishonesty still animates the Hun—"a dagger wrapped in the Sermon of the Mount," as the Premier tersely put it in one of his characteristically pointed epigrams. He had an easy task in indicating the essential justice of the Allied cause, laying special emphasis on the point that it is the aim of the Entente nations to bring about a condition of affairs in which the making of war will be regarded as a punishable crime. That is precisely the object for which the Allies are fighting, and they will not lay down their arms till its accomplishment is within sight.

We were glad to see that Mr. Lloyd George approached the question of the establishment of a League of Nations from a standpoint of sheer practicality. Such a development cannot be attained by sitting down and dreaming about it, and it was much to the point that the Premier should say that the Bolsheviks have forgotten that this ideal must be fought for. As he so well puts it, while the Russian extremists have been busy writing despatches and making speeches, they have been left with barely half a nation to league to anybody. And that must always be the fate of any people which only talks when it is faced by such a menace as German militarism. It is all very well to talk of Leagues of Nations and disarmament, but there is a lot to be done before we can settle down to work out plans of this sort. The war has to be finished first, and it can only be terminated by removing those who stand in the way of the realisation of great universal ideals. That is the keynote of the Premier's latest speech, and it is one that we would commend to those folk who would seek to end the war by a weak and dangerous patched-up agreement between the belligerents. These miserable pessimists were no doubt the people Mr. Lloyd George had in mind when he declared:—"Don't discourage, don't depress, don't always point to the clouds and ask when the dawn is coming." But there are individuals who find their chief delight in looking on the dark side of life and who appear constitutionally unable to be anything else than "wet blankets." If they kept their ideas to themselves, it would not matter much, but unfortunately, they have a way of passing on their mood to others. It is to these that the Premier addressed his appeal, and if they have any intelligence at all they must surely see that his viewpoint, which might be expressed "at first and talk after," is sound and thoroughly logical.

One cannot but be struck by the Premier's declaration when he said that he had a terrible task on his shoulders—alm at more than he could bear. For the lot of the head of any of the great warring nations at this time is not an enviable one. It is made all the harder by the frothing of the pacifist pessimists. That is why a man like Mr. Lloyd George, who has done so much while others have been content to talk, deserves the helpful sympathy of all classes. He does not want war any more than the people do, but, as he says, there is no other way to peace than waging war with all our strength, without betraying the cause for which we took up arms. Once in the war, we must put our whole heart and soul into it, and to Britishers overseas it is comforting to feel that there is still at the head of affairs a man who sees the weakness and fallacy of half-measures.

Services Recognised.

The community in general will be gratified at the announcement contained in our last night's issue that His Majesty the King has seen fit to include the names of six well-known Hongkong residents among those who have been admitted to the newly-established Order of the British Empire. As we pointed out yesterday, this Order was created for the express purpose of recognizing services rendered in connection with the war, and the Hongkong gentlemen now honoured have all played a part, in one direction or another, in activities associated locally with the abnormal conditions which have existed since the outbreak of the struggle.

It is extremely gratifying that the magnificent services voluntarily discharged by Mr. Jenkins in connection with the Police Reserve have been acknowledged; for the work he has put in in organising that force and in bringing it to its present state of efficiency is thoroughly deserving of notice. The war has thrown a heavy burden of work on the Attorney General, who has laboured with characteristic conscientiousness in the drawing up of many new war Ordinances and all who know Mr. Kemp's abilities and capacity for hard work will admit the justice of his inclusion in the list. Mr. Sharp and Mr. Stubb are well-known men in the public life of the Colony, and both have most enthusiastically thrown themselves into organising work in connection with war charity movements, while Mr. Alabaster's painstaking discharge of the duties of Assistant Ombudsman has been of greater value to the Empire than the public is most probably aware of.

Since the enforcement of the numerous war restrictions a big burden of extra work has fallen on the Imports and Exports Department, and we presume it is for this reason that Mr. Hutchison has also been honoured. We were rather surprised that no local ladies were included in the list, for the Order is equally applicable to them, but perhaps when the next batch of honours is notified we shall see the names of some who have given no end of time to war charity work here.

Cargo Dangers.

We fear that in the case of many river steamers which leave Hongkong sufficient precautions are not taken in regard to the protection of inflammable cargo from the danger of fire. It is quite a common sight to see outgoing boats literally stacked up with all manner of merchandise of this character, which is piled up on deck, along the staff rails and especially at the stern. We ourselves recently saw one of these steamers go out particularly overloaded in this respect. The danger is from native passengers who often sleep on deck and are constantly moving among the cargo-smoking and throwing cigarette ends about. Old residents will remember the disastrous fire which occurred on the steamer Hsankow in 1906, when over six hundred lives were lost. At the enquiry into that affair a rider was added to the verdict, expressing the opinion that it was a dangerous practice for ships to carry inflammable cargo, unprotected, on their main decks; and there can surely be no doubt on that point. Little is gained by being wise after the event, and we hope therefore that the authorities will keep an eye on this matter, on the principle that a stitch in time saves nine.

Two Ways.

Yesterday's telegram clearly showed that the British meant what they said when they threatened reprisals on Germany. They spoke of new raids on Coblenz and Friburg, immense damage being done in the former instance. What must strike the reader of war news is that when we carry out raids we are not in the habit of promiscuously dropping bombs on open towns, merely for the fun of destroying residential property and killing innocent women and children. When we strike, we make for vital spots, especially in connection with the enemy's means of munition production. The German method is to visit big centres of population, merely for the sake of attempting to scare the public and to create panic, in which respect they have so far miserably failed.

DAY BY DAY.

THE WAY TO BE A SPECIALIST IN BUSINESS IS TO LEARN HOW TO DO ONE THING JUST A LITTLE BETTER THAN THE OTHER FELLOW.

To-morrow's Anniversary.
To-morrow is St. Patrick's Day.

The Dollar.

The opening rate of the dollar on demand to-day was \$1.01d.

Government Servants' Quarters. Tenders are being invited for the construction of Subordinate Officers' quarters, Kowloon, Second Block.

Magisterial Change. It is notified for general information that Mr. E.D.C. Wolfe has assumed the duties of Police Magistrate during the absence of Mr. Arthur Dyer Ball.

Kailan Output.

The total output of the Kailan Mining Administration's mines for the week ending March 2, amounted to 63,359 tons and the sales during the period to 69,180 tons.

Company Warning.

It is notified that at the expiration of three months Messrs. Banjo and Penning Limited, will, unless cause is shown to the contrary, be struck off the Register and the Company will be dissolved.

Supreme Court Appointment.

His Excellency the Governor has appointed Mr. Frank Birley Johnson to act as Deputy Registrar and Appraiser of the Supreme Court, in addition to his other duties, during the absence of Mr. O.A.D. Melbourne or until further notice.

Stolen Iron.

Before Mr. J.R. Wood, at the Police Court this morning, a Chinese was charged by Mr. Simmons, of the Public Works Department, with stealing several pieces of iron from the Wanchai store. Defendant denied the theft but his Worship sent him to prison for three months' hard labour.

Electric Bulb Theft.

At the Police Court this morning, before Mr. J.R. Wood, a Chinese was charged with stealing an electric lamp bulb from the door way of a house in Tunz Street, West Point. Defendant said he did not know anything about it. His Worship sent him to prison for six weeks' hard labour.

University Court.

His Excellency the Governor has nominated Mr. Wei Yui, O.M.G., to be a Member of the Court of the University of Hongkong for a term of three years, vice Mr. Chang Ming-shi resigned, and Mr. Robert Ross Thomson to be a Member of the same Court during the absence of Mr. George Thomas Edkins.

Supposed Murder.

Yesterday the body of a man was found at a house in Ewo Street, Wanchai, suffering from terrible injuries to his head. There had evidently been a fight by a chopper. There seems to be little doubt in the minds of the Police that the man had been brutally murdered. Two men have been arrested in connection with the affair.

CATHEDRAL ORGAN.

The Re-opening Programme.

The following is the fine programme that is to be played at the re-opening of the Cathedral organ on Monday evening next at 9.15, by Mr. Denman Fuller. The programme is an all-British one and several of the pieces have not been played here before. The Berceuse Allegro Appassionato is one of the finest pieces of modern organ music that has yet been written. The programme is being issued in booklet form and contains a history of the organ and an account of what has been done to it since it was first erected.

1.—Choral Song and Fugue, Wesley.

2.—The Outlaw, E. J. Horsman.

3.—Allegro Appassionato, Arthur Berceuse.

4.—Andante Grazioso, Smart.

Hymn 165.

5.—Berceuse, Sterndale Bennett.

6.—Out of the Past, Denman Fuller.

7.—Military March, E. Elgar.

During the singing of the Hymn a collection will be made in aid of the Organ Fund.

ART OF BUILDING IN COUNTRIES SUBJECT TO EARTHQUAKES.

Resilient Power of Reinforced Concrete.

(CONTRIBUTED.)

Hongkong had the experience of earthquakes shocks on the 13th at 2.10 and 3 p.m. afterwards at 4.30 the next morning. Although these shocks did not impress the public as disasters they were nevertheless quite serious, especially that which occurred during the night. Happily the waves were not long and at no time violent. Panic resulted to a certain extent in the Chinese quarters, not without cause as several buildings, if not actually destroyed, were so far damaged that the inmates had to evacuate immediately. Swallow appears to have been near the point of the shock the houses there being almost all destroyed, leaving many victims of the catastrophe.

This brings up the question of the art of building in countries subject to these visitations, also the question of research as to the best means of guaranteeing the safety of the inhabitants.

In 1906 after the San Francisco earthquake, and in 1908 that of Messina, there were many discussions on this subject, and the most competent authorities (among them Monsieur de Montessus de Ballore, who had studied earthquakes in many countries for over 30 years) gave advice on general lines for architects to follow in all countries subject to shocks.

The above-mentioned scientist in a paper read before the Congress of Architects in June 1908 in Paris, remarked that regulations on this subject were elaborated in different countries, but sooner or later the danger was forgotten. The precautions were omitted, and a catastrophe like that of San Francisco was necessary to bring builders back to their senses, and arrive at a system of construction, which, if not giving absolute security, would still offer a certain guarantee.

We cannot do better than give a resume of the paper by Monsieur de Montessus de Ballore.

He remarked, and very justly too, that in these countries architects and contractors had to foresee that all buildings were erected to resist the force constantly directed from top to bottom. At the same time they had to provide for horizontal undulations and vertical vibrations due to tremblings of the ground surface by thousands per second, of which though the periodicity did not continue over a few seconds, the amplitude amounted to several feet, giving the earth an acceleration of several yards per second. They had also to take into account ground of little cohesion, with waves of several feet in height, during the rapid passage of which the ground momentarily took the property of a liquid and was raised like the sea in a strong wind.

It is evident that we cannot pretend to ensure complete security of edifices against such phenomena, there being a limit which we cannot overcome. In certain earthquakes the ground has opened up in crevasses, promoting slides in the same proportion, which no human prevision could prevent. For example in Central Japan in Oct., 1891, a crack 100 miles long opened the mouth of which showed in several places a difference of level of from 60 to 80 feet. Against such convulsions man is helpless.

In his paper the scientist above mentioned studied successively the following:—

Choice of site.—The site of a building is imposed on much more than left to the choice of the owner. Material and systems to avoid.—He remarks that only materials of the first quality should be used and strict supervision enforced. Buildings of classic antiquity built to the rules of the art, with good material had remained upright, and several had resisted without damage the shocks of twenty centuries or over.

Effect of shock on the elements used in building.—It was noted in Japan by seismometric direct that the movement is notably diminished at the bottom of a shaft from 9 to 35 feet in depth. In consequence there would be much more chance of resistance if foundations were sunk deeper and continued to the body of the structure. In soft ground there is a great advantage in making the foundations in the form of arches reversed.

A radical solution has been adopted by the Japanese from time to

memorial. Their light houses are mounted on a sort of framework, the angles of which rest on big stones. During an earthquake these houses may leave their supports, but only slope slightly owing to the minimum height of the supports. The damage, generally slight, is easily repaired.

It has been suggested to fix up houses on rollers or on cast iron balls on a concrete platform. Unfortunately this solution, which has been utilised in several cases, is not applicable to simple buildings or cottages.

Walls should be perfectly homogenous and constituted of material of equal density. It has been remarked for example at Metelin, where two kinds of lava were employed, that the larger blocks shewed in relief and that the walls were cracked. Only stones of rough surface should be employed and round stones forbidden. Eruptive rocks are generally preferred to sedimentary. Masonry in mortar (perdu) is to be condemned; rough stones are preferable to smooth blocks which are easily dislocated, and are often not carefully laid.

On the subject of walls the question is of great import. If shocks attack them by their traverse, they work in compression and extension, and if, on the contrary, perpendicularly, to their foot, and from that to the reverse, it becomes much more dangerous: but as division walls are maintained by facade walls, the latter have to bear the entire strain of the shock. The most extended walls must therefore be built in such a way as to be parallel to the direction from which the shock is likely to come, and such direction is learned by experience.

Openings, Doors and Windows.

These should be the object of the utmost attention. They form on a facade two series of lines of least resistance, vertical and horizontal, through which the wall is lost. Usually cracks start from the angles of doors and windows. The form of their upper part has great influence on their destructibility, and their security. They may be classed as follows:—Lifted, circular, anse de panier, gothic. The simple lifted is inadmissible and to be condemned.

Floors and Ceilings.—Floors and ceilings never vibrate in synchronism with the walls, and this is one of the principal causes of buildings falling into ruins. These should be tied the one to the other by perfect fixtures, making each room one solid piece.

An inverse solution has been proposed, i.e. complete independence with a space between. Then each element would vibrate on its own account without affecting the other. Chimneys.—The destruction of chimneys by even moderate shocks, generally attains enormous proportions. In the violent earthquake at Charleston in August, 1883, 9% out of 14,000 came down. Not only did their fall cause many casualties in the streets but the roofs were smashed as well. It is absolutely necessary that chimneys should be independent of the rest of the building so that they may oscillate without danger to the roof.

Balconies and ornamental parts.—All architectural parts, relief and overhanging, are condemned, which is certainly regrettable from an aesthetic point of view, but cannot be remedied, the presence of these ornaments being a danger without which the building might have resisted the shocks.

Arches.—This important piece of architecture is also doomed to destruction because it is built solely to withstand a vertical effort. When exposed to the horizontal effort it is bound to fail at the keystones.

Roofs.—The ordinary roof often causes the destruction of buildings. If well made it forms a block which moving under vertical vibrations, falls back with all its weight on the walls and breaks them down, and whilst it sometimes comes to the ground intact, it brings the whole of the edifice with it.

Moderate shocks may have no other consequences than the tiles falling on people who are prudently clearing out of the building. Even this can be remedied by the Chinese system of borders which stop the falling tiles.

Floors.—The amplitude of seismic movement is at least three times as great on the first floor as on the ground floor, from which it may be judged what would be the effect on the thirty-fourth or fifth of the skyscrapers of the U.S.A. Water & Gas Pipes.—These elements are secondary in building construction, but after the

WAR COMFORTS.

Canton Local Red Cross Workers' Efforts.

The Canton Local Red Cross Workers dispatched on March 14 to the Matron 36th Stationary Hospital, E.E.F., one case containing the following hospital supplies:—50 yards butter muslin, 23 pair pyjamas, 27 flannel shirts, 18 shrouds, 4 surgical suits, 35 pillow cases, 72 handkerchiefs, 48 ward towels, 110 milk covers, 26 tray cloths, 24 table napkins, 7 hot water bottle covers, 45 flannel many-tailed bandages, 71 cotton many-tailed bandages, 54 T. bandages, 64 triangular bandages, 16 eye bandages, 50 roller bandages, 96 swabs, 32 pairs knitted socks, 2 pairs surgical stockings, 6 pairs knitted slippers, 6 fl or awals, 6 floor mats, 5 Singapore coats, 1 coat and waist-coat, 6 pair socks, 1,000 cigarettes, books and magazines.

British Red Cross

and

Order of St. John

36th Stationary Hospital,

E.E.F.

EGYPT Regiment.

January 17th, 1918.

Dear Madam,

Have received your kind letter enclosing bill of lading, insurance and list of comforts sent by the Canton Red Cross Workers—needless to say how grateful we shall be for them all.

I think every thing is doubly appreciated by the men in hospital in the desert, where it is naturally more difficult to obtain supplies and where every thing is of use.

We are looking forward very much to the arrival of the case.

The following articles, when you are next sending, we should be glad of:—Shrouds, dysentery pads, socks, handkerchiefs, carpet slippers, butter muslin, old linen, table napkins for sick officers, trav clothes for sick officers.

Playing and Patience cards we are always very thankful for. Duck and flannel (suits) are very acceptable for the sick officers, even old ones, as they arrive often without anything but what they stand up in; and so glad of a change. I am so pleased you have sent us some. With many thanks.

Sincerely yours,
D. MILLICENT O. MICHELL.

periences of the San Francisco catastrophe, their resistance must be considered of capital importance in large cities. Great damage is caused by the explosion of liberated gas coming in contact with fire. Besides the broken water pipes cannot be used against the fire, and the crevices caused help to undermine the foundations of damaged buildings.

Monsieur de Montessus de Ballore goes on to study the different methods of construction in countries subject to earthquakes. In particular he states the reason why the most of the Japanese temples have for centuries resisted violent shocks. In their construction timber is used in great proportion but all parts are so tied together or dovetailed piece by piece that they constitute an indestructible whole. Speaking of the volcanic island, Santorin, he mentions monoliths made of blocks of "aspe," a kind of concrete, placed by openings. These are indestructible by earthquakes, as the small cracks formed are quickly closed by the weight of the whole to such a point that they are invisible next day. That example shows clearly the complete necessity of an indestructible box.

Monsieur de Montessus de Ballore comes to the conclusion that reinforced concrete fills the conditions to be desired and in this connection he makes allusion to the words of Engineer Lescaze, who also specially studied building in the seismic zone. "The ideal of perfection will be a building in masonry, in which the materials and cement are tied, becoming so closely adherent that the whole may be considered as monolith." The building must be strong, heavy, at the base than at the top.

EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

(Continued from Page 1.)

ENEMY PEACE PROPAGANDA.

London, March 14.
A telegram from Washington states that information has been received that German agents are active in Switzerland and Sweden trying to create an atmosphere favourable to peace conferences. Placards have been smuggled into the French lines with a view to repeating the tactics which succeeded in Italy. Some distributors of placards were summarily shot.

NORTH SEA AERIAL FIGHT.

London, March 14.
The Admiralty announces that two seaplanes on Tuesday attacked five enemy aircraft over the southern part of the North Sea. They shot down and destroyed one enemy two-seater and killed the observer of a second machine. They also drove down on the water another seaplane. The engagement lasted thirty minutes and only terminated when the British had expended their ammunition. Our machines returned.

THE SIAMESE MISSION.

London, March 15.
H.M. the King has received the Siamese Military Mission at Buckingham Palace.

ANGLO-AMERICANS CAPTURED.

London, March 14.
A telegram from Stockholm states that a number of British and Americans left Finland in neutral vessels, which were captured. Those of military age were sent to Germany.

ON THE WESTERN FRONT.

London, March 14.
Field Marshal Sir Douglas Haig reports: We raided the enemy's trenches south-eastward of Eperny and brought back prisoners. We successfully repulsed an attempted raid northward of the Ypres-Staden railway. Reciprocal artillerying occurred south-westward of Cambrai and there was increasing hostile artillerying in the Neuvechappelle and Fauquissart sectors.

Field Marshal Sir Douglas Haig reports: We successfully raided a strong point south-eastward of Polygon wood, inflicted losses and took thirty-seven prisoners. Our casualties were slight. We repulsed a raid south-eastward of Arras. There is considerable hostile artillerying northward of Lens and astride the La Bassée Canal.

A Belgian communiqué states: After a violent bombardment our troops gained a footing in German trenches south-east of Lombartzyde and put all the occupants out of action. They re-advanced and in violent hand-to-hand fighting stopped a counter-attack. Artillery actions prevailed on the whole front yesterday and to-day, which were violent in the Neuport and Dixmude regions.

A wireless German official message says: We brought down seventeen enemy aeroplanes yesterday, whereof three were en route to Freiburg.

U-BOAT ATTACKS HOSPITAL SHIP.

London, March 14.
The Admiralty announces that the hospital ship Guildford Castle, homeward bound, was unsuccessfully attacked by a submarine at the entrance to Bristol Channel on the evening of 10th March whilst flying Red Cross flags and with all hospital ship lights on.

Wounded soldiers who were aboard when the ship was attacked, interviewed at Bristol, stated that the ship left South Africa on February 15, with 450 wounded from German East Africa, also doctors, nurses and ambulances. The ship was newly painted. The submarine attacked at 5.30 on Sunday afternoon west of Lundy Island. One torpedo missed, but the other struck the ship, aft, below the water-line on the port side. It failed to explode, but made a big hole flooding part of the ship. The watertight doors were closed and the wounded brought on deck. The boats were half lowered. The wireless brought five destroyers within five minutes; but they found the damage not serious and the ship went at full speed to Avonmouth.

AIR RAID ON HARTLEPOOL.

London, March 14.
The Press Bureau reports: One airship crossed the coast last night and dropped four bombs at Hartlepool demolishing six dwelling houses and damaging thirty. The airship operated from a great altitude and only remained overland for a few minutes. The remainder of the bombs appear to have fallen in the sea. There were killed one man, one woman and three children, and the injured were three men, one woman and five children.

TONNAGE NEGOTIATIONS.

London, March 14.
The Press Bureau announces that for the purpose of obtaining the most effective use of tonnage the Allied Maritime Transport Council, Lord Robert Cecil presiding, met in London on March 11 and is still sitting.

The Hague, March 14.
A note from the Foreign Minister with reference to the negotiations for an economic arrangement with the Allies says it is proposed to place half a million tons of Dutch trans-Atlantic shipping at the disposal of the Allies. In return America proposed to export a hundred thousand tons of wheat to Holland.

WARSHIPS ATTACK ENGLISH COAST.

London, March 14.
The Press Bureau states that one or two warships attacked the north-east coast this evening. Twenty bombs have fallen near the coast.

AMERICA EAGER TO HELP RUSSIA.

Washington, March 15.
Mr. Gompers, on behalf of the American Labour Alliance, has telegraphed to the Soviet Congress at Moscow assuring Russia that the American people are eager to help Russia and are awaiting suggestions as to how aid may be effectively extended.

U. S. TROOPS READY FOR SERVICE.

Washington, March 14.
Several divisions of the American National Army have been ordered to be in readiness for active service. The War Department is gratified at the results of the intensive training.

SERBIAN PEACE DENIAL.

London, March 15.
The Press Bureau states that the Serbian Legation emphatically denies the rumours circulated by Germany of peace overtures between Serbia and her enemies.

1893.

HONGKONG TWENTY-FIVE YEARS AGO.

(Compiled from the "Hongkong Telegraph" files for the week ending March 23, 1893.)

The Dollar.
March 16.—The rate of the dollar on demand to-day is 2/8.
To a Correspondent.
March 17.—"Macao Officer."—Office hours, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. For heaven's sake come soon and bring your blunderbuss with you. The Office Goat hasn't devoured anybody for a long time, and he swears he is awfully hungry. So if you really mean business, don't stand on the order of coming, but come at once, and we will pay your passage so-soes. Brown, Jones and Co. will arrange the final act of the programme.

A Sin of Omission.
March 17.—An English Journal, *The Critic*, states that most famous men have blue eyes. It cites Bismark, Gladstone, Napoleon and every President of the United States, except Harrison. It doesn't mention Mitchell-Innes.

Haunts of Vice.
March 21.—One notorious giddy haunt of vice has already "gone bang" in consequence of the *Hongkong Telegraph's* remarks last week about the scandalous increase of immoral "dives" all over the Colony. And more will quickly follow. We shouldn't be in the least surprised to receive one of these fine days a despatch from the Marquis of Ripon, appointing our Office Goat to a high appointment in the detective service of the Colony. "William" is very good.

Who Pays?
March 22.—We thoroughly appreciate the courtesy of the Secretary of the Tientsin British Municipal Council in forwarding us a copy of the Land Renter's Memorial to the British Minister at Peking, although it is not of sufficient general interest to warrant publication in our columns; but we would suggest that, should similar documents be forwarded in the future, it would be as well to prepay the postage. We strongly object to being "molested" in thirty cents for a printed circular which, so far as this journal is concerned, is absolutely valueless, and which, moreover, could just as easily have been sent in a newspaper wrapper for two cents.

The Office Goat Missing.
March 23.—For the past twenty-four hours sorrow has folded her darkest pall around us; the world has seemed void and not worth living in. We had lost our only Goat. Our enemies are as the sands of the sea-shore, but who so dastardly as to rob us of the friend of our declining years? Many were suspected but none were suspected. We awaited developments. They have come and so has the G. A friendly Scotch "bobby" found "William" this morning on the point of jumping off the prays. Some suppose his destination was Macao, while others suspect that he first intended to attack and destroy the Benge lying in the harbour, so as to have the Holy City quite at his mercy. His present condition will not allow of his being questioned. The symptoms bear a strong resemblance to those of *delirium tremens*. We fear treachery has been at work, but for the present keep our suspicions to ourselves. He is securely chained but raves without intermission about some reception which he, in company with the Editor of the *Snail*, clandestinely attended at Government House the night upon which he strayed.

What is a Poster?
The case of the Liverpool newspaper who was summoned under the Newspaper Restriction Order for displaying a poster announcing the contents of a London paper ended in the dismissal of the summons. It was stated in evidence that the newspaper had displayed a newspaper in a frame showing headings to three articles in that day's issue. The Squire said that the exhibition of a newspaper in its entirety was not an infringement of the Order, and did not constitute a poster.

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THE Undersigned has received instructions to sell by Public Auction on
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EXAMINATIONS.

NOTICE IS HEREBY given
that these examinations
will commence on MONDAY,
July 8th, 1918.

Arrangements will be made to
hold the Examination at any
town where a sufficient number
of candidates offer themselves.
Candidates who wish to be ex-
amined at any other place than
Hongkong or Shanghai must
apply to the Registrar on or
before April 2nd, 1918.

Forms of entry and all particu-
lars can be obtained on applica-
tion to the Registrar, The
University Hongkong.

The entry form, duly filled in,
must reach the Registrar, togeth-
er with the fee (Ten dollars,
Hongkong Currency) on or be-
fore May 2nd, 1918.

The following Scholarships and
Prizes will be awarded on the
results of the Matriculation ex-
amination, provided that candi-
dates of sufficient merit offer
themselves.

(a) Two King Edward VII
Scholarships of £40 a year each,
for five years, tenable in any
Faculty. A candidate for these
scholarships must be under the
age of 21 on July 1st and must
before the first day of the ex-
amination submit to Registrar
proof that he is a British subject.

(b) Two President's Scholar-
ships of four hundred dollars each
(Peking Currency) for five years,
tenable in any Faculty. A candi-
date for one of these scholar-
ships must be under the age of
21 years on July 1st and must
before the first day of the exami-
nation submit to the Registrar
proof that he is the son of Chinese
parents; that he was not born
in any British Possession or
Protectorate; that he has not
adopted any foreign nationality;
and that he is not eligible to
compete for a
Scholarship.

(c) Four cash prizes of
\$100 each (Hongkong Currency).
Candidates who secure King
Edward VII or President's
Scholarships or cash prizes must
enter the University on the day
on which the University session
opens and must reside in one of
the hostels directly managed by
the University.

The examinations will be con-
ducted according to the Regu-
lations for the Senior and Junior
Local Examinations and for the
Matriculation Examination 1918.

UNIVERSITY OF
HONGKONG

Hongkong, March 14th 1918.

CHURCH SERVICES.

St. John's Cathedral, Hongkong.—

5th Sunday in Lent, 17th

March, 1918. Holy Communion

(7.30 a.m.) Matins (11 a.m.)

Responses: Ferial. Venite:

Crotch. Psalms: Smith. Te

Deum: Lawes, Cooke, Hopkins.

Substitute: Goodson. Hymns:

332, 30. God Save the King.

N.B.—Psalm 80, verses 1, 2, 9,

10, 14, 17, in unison. Psalm 87,

verses 1, 4 G.P. in unison.

Hymn: 332, verses 1, 4, in

unison. Hymn: 96, verses 1, 3,

6, in unison. Holy Communion

(12 noon). Evensong (6 p.m.)

Responses: Ferial. Psalms:

Hayes, Woodward, Monk.

Magnificat: Cooke (13th morn-
ing). Nunc Dimittis: Rimbauld

(17th morning). Hymns: 200,

207, 19. N.B.—Psalm 89, verses

1, 5, 9, 10, 24, 33, 37, 45, 50

in unison. Hymn: 207, verses 1, 4,

in unison. Hymn: 19, verses 3,

5, in unison. N.B.—Organ

Recital on Monday next, at

9.15 p.m. (Re-opening of the

Organ.)

Union Church, Kennedy Road.—

Sunday Services, March 17th

Morning 11. Hymns: 377, 551,

296, 207. Subject: Second

Sermon on The Future Life.

Evening 6. Hymns: 383, 128,

264, 240. Preacher: Rev. J. Kirk

Macdonald.

St. Peter's Church, West Point.—

Sunday March 17, 1918. 8 a.m.

Holy Communion. 11 a.m.

Morning Prayer, Litany and

Sermon. Preacher: Rev. R. C.

Taylor. Collection on behalf of

the British and Foreign Bible

Society.

The Gospel Hall.—(No. 10 and

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Services.—Sunday Morning

Service 10.15 a.m. Sunday

Evening Service 6.15 p.m.

Wesleyan Methodist Church,
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Amoy and Shanghai	Tyitaroom	J. C. J. L.	20. Mar.
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Shanghai	Shantung	B. & S.	21. Mar.
Manila	Loongsang	J. M. Co.	22. Mar.
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow	Haihong	D. L. Co.	22. Mar.
Shanghai, Moji and Kobe	Kirin M.	N. Y. K.	23. Mar.
Shanghai	Y. nashow	B. & S.	23. Mar.
Shanghai, Moji and Kobe	Ranzoon M.	N. Y. K.	25. Mar.
Java and Singapore	Rindjani	J. C. J. L.	27. Mar.
Java and Singapore	Kawi	J. C. J. L.	28. Mar.
Shanghai, Kobe and Yokohama	Shidzuoka M.	N. Y. K.	29. Mar.
Manila	Yuensang	J. M. Co.	29. Mar.
Java and Singapore	Grotius	J. C. J. L.	30. Mar.
Java and Singapore	Vondel	J. C. J. L.	30. Mar.
Saigon	Tipanas	J. C. J. L.	1. Apr.
Amoy and Shanghai	Tjimanook	J. C. J. L.	6. Apr.
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CONSIGNEES

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NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE Company's Steamship

"KITANO MARU,"

having arrived, from the

above ports, Consignees of

Cargo are hereby informed

that their Goods are being

landed and placed at their

risk in the Hongkong and

Kowloon Wharf & Godown

Company's Godowns at Kowloon,

where each consignment will be

sorted out mark by mark and de-

livery can be obtained as soon as

the Goods are landed.

Optional Goods will be carried

on-unless instructions are given

to the contrary before NOON

TO-DAY.

Goods not cleared by the 21st

March, 1918, will be subject

to rent.

Damaged packages must be left

in the Godowns for examination

by the Consignees and the Co's

representatives at an appointed

hour on Tuesday & Friday. All

claims must be presented

within ten days of the steamer's

arrival here, after which date

they cannot be recognized. No

claims will be admitted after

the goods have left the Godowns.

NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.

Agents.

Hongkong, 14th March, 1918.

CONSIGNEES

THE WATERHOUSE STEAM-
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NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

From KOBE & MOJI.

THE Steamship

"THORDIS."

having arrived, from the above
Ports, Consignees of Cargo by
her are notified that all
Goods are being landed at their
risk into the hazardous and/or
extra hazardous Godowns of the
Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf
and Godown Co., Ltd., whence
and/or from the wharves delivery
may be obtained.

Goods not cleared by the 18th
instant at 5 p.m. will be sub-
ject to rent.

All broken, chafed and dam-
aged packages are to be left in
the Godowns, where they will be
examined by Messrs. Goddard
and Douglas on Monday next at
10 A.M.

Claims against the steamer
must be presented within 10 days
of arrival, otherwise they will
not be recognized.

No Fire insurance will be
effected by us in any case what-
ever.

Bills of Lading for cargo from
Bombay will be countersigned by

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Agents.

Hongkong, 11th March, 1918.

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AND

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Consignees per Co's Steamer

"DEOMED"

are hereby notified that the Cargo
will be discharged into the
Wharf, Kowloon where it will
be at Consignees risk. The
Cargo will be ready for delivery
from Godown on and after 14th
March.

Optional cargo will be landed,
unless notice has been given
prior to steamer's arrival.

All broken, chafed, and dam-
aged goods are to be left in the
Godowns, where they will be
examined on any Tuesday and
Friday between the hours of

10.45 a.m. and noon with in the
free storage period.

No claims will be admitted
after the Goods have left the
steamer's Godown and all Goods
remaining undelivered after the
14th March, will be subject to
rent.

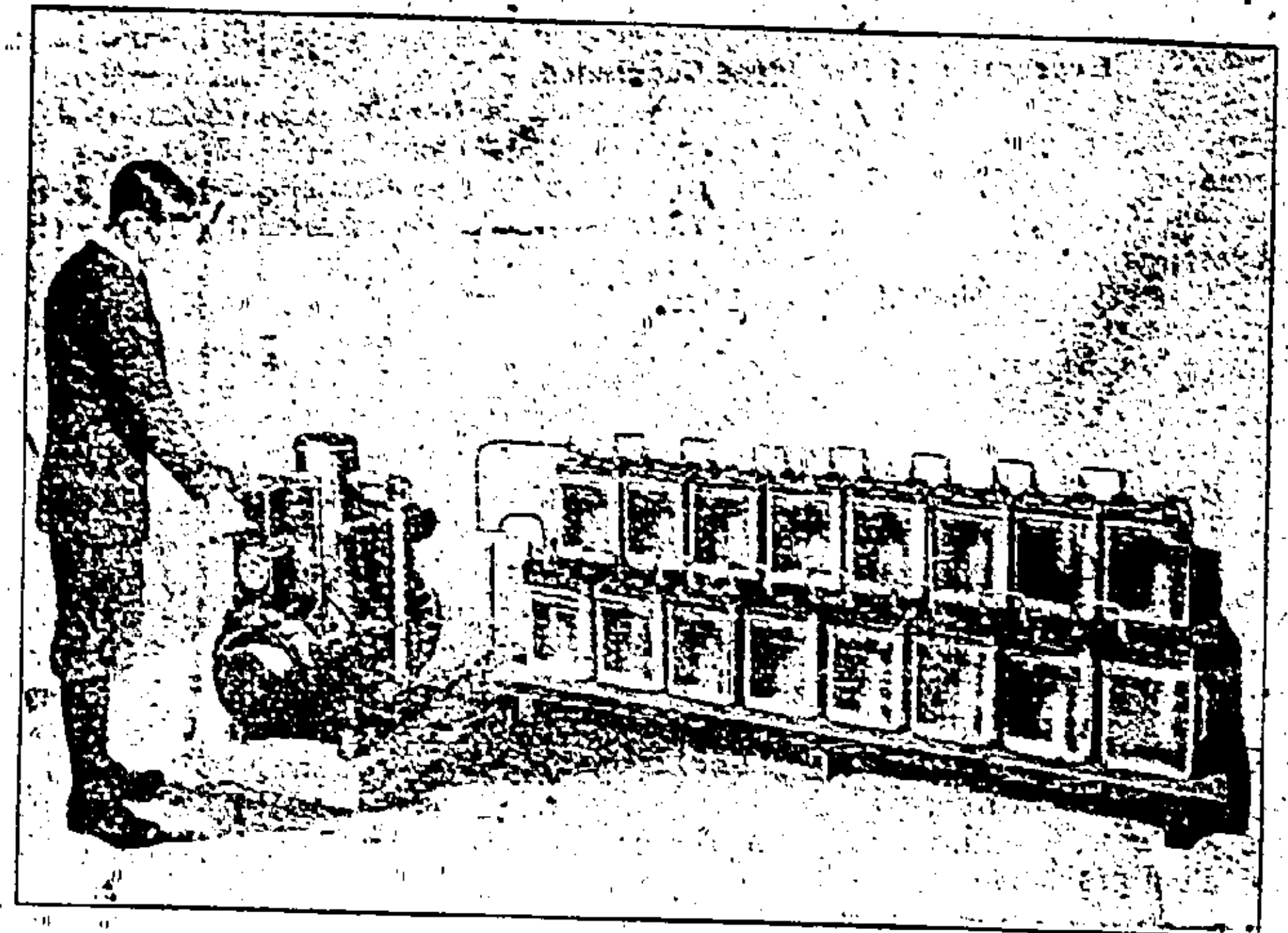
Claims against the Steamer
presented to the under-
signed on or before the 2nd
April, will be recognized.

No Fire Insurance will be
effected.

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Hongkong, 14th March, 1918.

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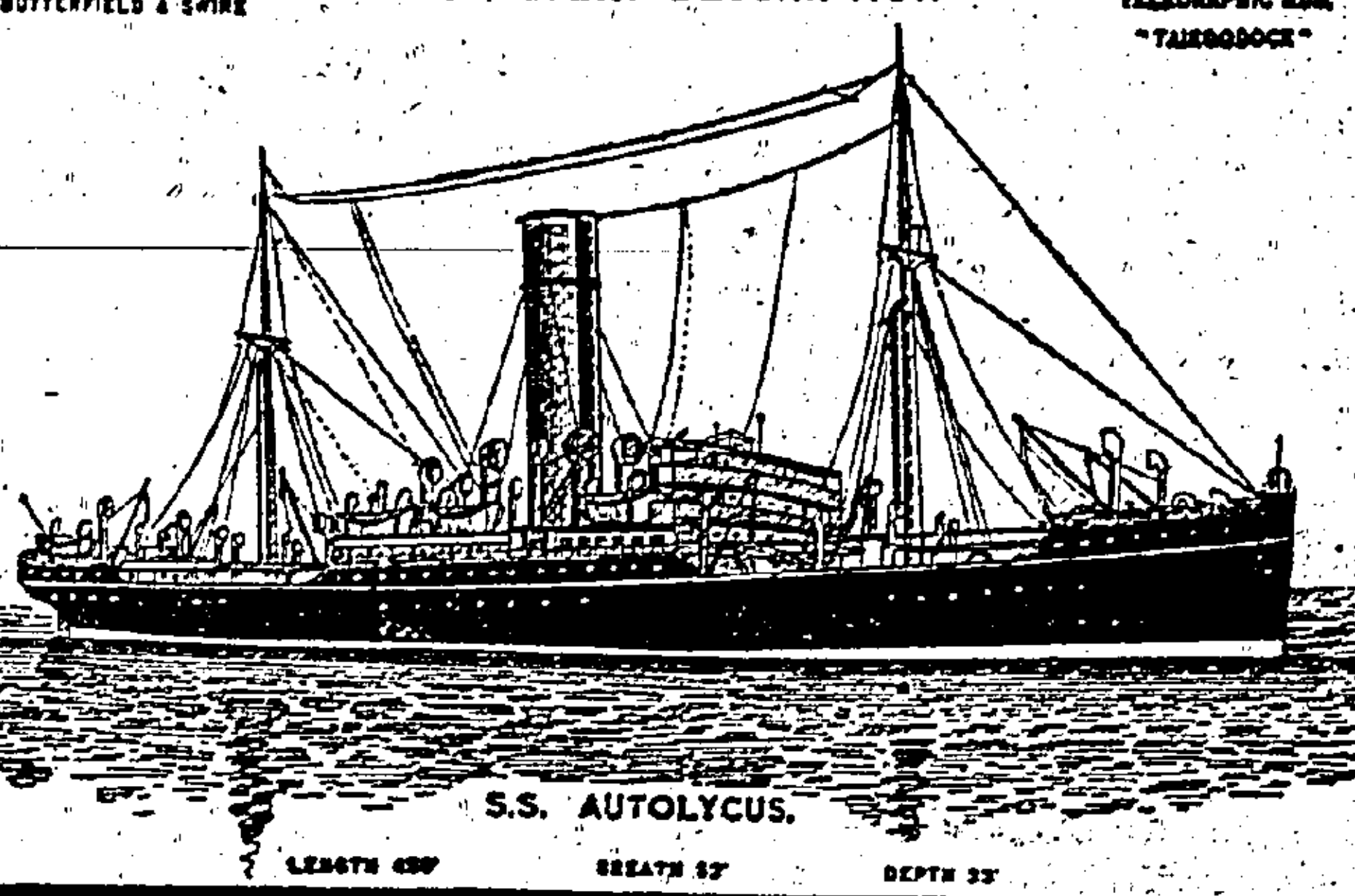
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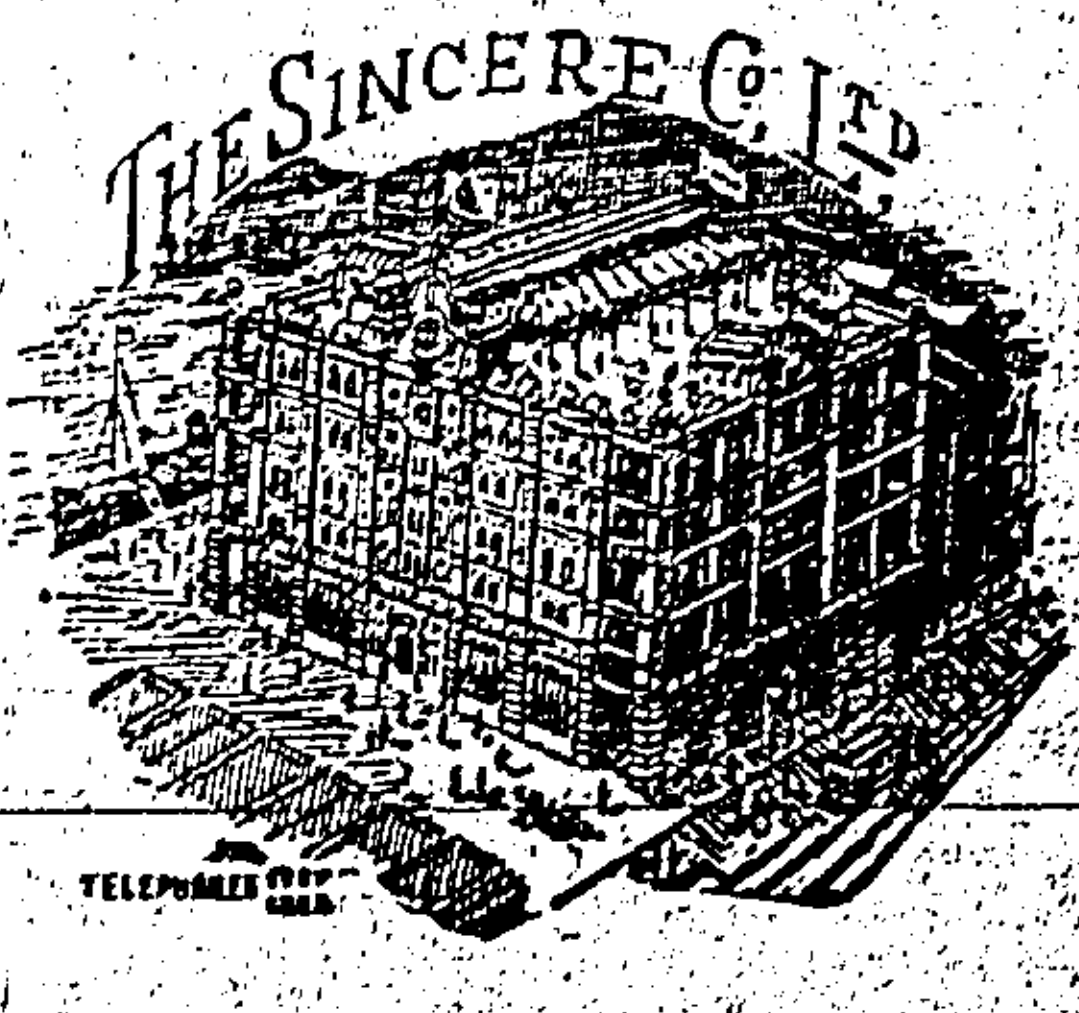
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daise.

Potal, from Kobe.
Mr. Lawchay, 2nd Floor, No. 6
Corne Street, from Yokohama.

T. KRING,
Act. Superintendent,
Hongkong, March 15, 1918.

Eastern Extension, Australasia
& China Telegraph Co.

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Dow, Hongkong Hotel,
Hart, S. C., from Shanghai.

Jamieson Grieve & Co., from
Christiana.

Mack George, Hongkong Hotel,
from Singapore.

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STOP PRESS TELEGRAMS.

THE POSITION IN RUSSIA.

Bolsheviks Decide to Ratify Peace Treaty.

London, March 15. Reuter's correspondent at Petrograd says that a meeting of the Bolshevik members of the Moscow Conference have decided by a majority of 453 votes to thirty to ratify the Peace Treaty. M. Byssanov, the well-known theorist of Bolshevism and all the Professional Unions left the party after the decision.

Evacuation of Petrograd Concluded.

London, March 15. Reuter's correspondent at Petrograd says it is announced that the evacuation of the city is concluded. Inhabitants are prohibited to enter or leave. All trains have been suspended. The Bourgeois newspapers, which had been suspended, are allowed to republish. The Allied Problem.

London, March 15.

Speaking in the House of Commons, Mr. Boserup stated that he thought it impossible for a middle European war to have found a remedy for the Russian misfortune. He was an optimist as regards Russia, although not an optimist about the immediate future. The policy of the Bolsheviks had rendered the country helpless before German aggression. The Bolsheviks, who now desired to reconstitute the army, would doubtless welcome British assistance in that connection, but the improvisation of a new instrument could not be achieved in a day. It would have taken years to garner the beneficial fruits of the Revolution in a time of peace, but how could the process be carried on at a time of war with a remorseless and unscrupulous enemy at the gate, handling Russia at her own sweet will? That was the Allied problem.

AN AWKWARD QUESTION.

London, March 15.

In the House of Lords Lord Willoughby de Broke drew attention to the statements that General Smith had met Count Mandorff. Lord Curzon said that he unhesitatingly concluded that a question of this kind might lead to a highly undesirable discussion. If Lord Willoughby de Broke persisted in putting the question he should decline to answer it. The question was thereupon withdrawn.

COMPANY REPORT.

China Sugar Refining Co., Ltd.

The report of the above Company, for presentation to the shareholders at the fortieth annual general meeting, to be held at 11.30 a.m. on Wednesday, 27th inst., states:—

The General Agents beg to submit to the shareholders their report on the Company's business for the year ending 31st December 1914.

The balance at debit of Profit and Loss accounts to \$463,852.07. As there was a credit of \$53,416.12 brought forward from the previous account, there remains now a balance of \$410,435.95 at the debit of Profit and Loss account, to be carried forward to the new account.

Consulting Committee.—The Committee consists of Hon. Sir Paul Chater, O. M. G., Hon. Mr. E. Shellin, and Messrs. F. Mailland, A. O. Lang, and H. P. White who offer themselves for re-election.

Auditors.—The accounts have been audited by Messrs. H. Percy Smith, F. O. A., and A. B. Lowe, F.O.A., who offer themselves for re-election.

EAST AFRICAN CAMPAIGN.

News of Hongkong Boys.

Lieut. Bevan, writing from Wynberg Hospital, on January 8, 1915, says that his Regiment arrived a few days after he did and proceeded straight to England. Lieut. Bevan is to stay for six weeks, so as to miss the winter at home. He says:—

"I met Mitchell of Hongkong. He heard I was in hospital and looked me up. I expect he will go back to India, as he is in an Indian Regiment. Another Hongkong fellow, Joseland, was in the Nigerians. I knew him in Hongkong and he came up just before the last advance to say 'Cheer O' and strange to say, had a pronunciation he was to be 'blotted.' He died most gamely and, despite a most ghastly wound in the stomach, told the doctor to attend to others, as he realised that he was finished."

"Chunyat is a Q.M.S. He went home with the Regiment, but had a fearful dose of fever since August and looked pretty rotten when I saw him."

RACECOURSE DISASTER.

Evidence at the Enquiry To-day.

The enquiry into the sad catastrophe which occurred at the Racecourse, Happy Valley, on February 28, was continued at the Police Court this morning, being conducted by Mr. J. E. Wood, acting as Coroner. The following jurymen were also present:—Messrs. A. H. Barlow (foreman) J. H. Wallace, and W. O. Jack.

Mr. H. J. George appeared for the Jockey Club and the relatives of the late Mr. Albert Ahwee; Mr. M. K. Lo was present for a number of Chinese who lost relatives in the disaster; Mr. F. B. L. Bowley represented the contractor, The Hok, who built the stands; Mr. Leo d'Almeida appeared for the owners of Stands 7 and 8 and also for the families of the late Mr. L. Xavier and the late Mr. J. Osario and the husband of the late Mrs. Rozack; Mr. D. V. Stevenson appeared for the lessees of the Unity Stand. There were also present Mr. G. H. Wakeman, Crown Solicitor; the Hon. Mr. O. McL. Messer, C. S. P.; Mr. A. E. Wright and Mr. F. Sutton, of the P. W. D.

So Chi, an office coolie employed at the P. W. D., deposed that he had a share in the Hong Ke, shed No. 10. He superintended the cooking on the ground floor. There were two chaffies burning charcoal for making tea. He heard a cracking and the shed began to move. He had just got out of the door when the collapse occurred. He thought the shed fell towards No. 9. The shed did not catch fire before the collapse.

By Mr. Bowley:—He did not know if the shed had fallen on the fence which was near. He fell down but in two or three minutes he got up and then saw smoke issuing from between sheds 7 and 8. He tried to run away. He went to search for his younger brother. He did not try to put the fire out.

Mr. Bowley:—What are you?—An office coolie.

Do you carry messages?—Yes. The Coroner:—Will you please try to confine your questions to the events of the day?

Mr. Bowley:—I will try to. By the Coroner:—It seemed to witness that No. 10 shed was pushed. The whole of the sheds appeared to him to be moving at once. Teo Kit-chung, a broker, said he was a partner in the Cheung Lee, shed No. 11. He was there at the time of the collapse. No cooking was done in the shed, and there was no making of tea, mineral water and wines being drunk. He thought there would be from three to four hundred people on the ground floor at the time of the collapse. The shed was very full of people. He was selling winning tickets. First of all there was a stampede, people saying, "The shed is moving." In less than two minutes the shed collapsed. He was pinned down but in about five minutes he was successful in extricating himself. His shed seemed to fall on No. 9. He saw a hole through which the light was streaming and, making for it, he crawled out. When he got on to the roof of the shed he saw fire break out near Nos. 9 and 10. He did not see any fire near Nos. 12, 13 and 14. Before the actual collapse he heard a shouting of "Collapse! Collapse!" He did not hear any shouts of fire. He could not say how many people were killed in his shed, because after he escaped he ran away. He did not know what the cause of the fire was.

By Mr. Wakeman:—He had had a share in the Colonial Shed for several years. This was the first time he had had No. 11.

By Mr. Bowley:—There was a separate entrance to the first floor. He did not give the order for the match to be built. He and his partners had nothing to do with the top floor, though they received \$250 in rent. There were 18 electric lamps for the first and second floors. There was a basement, but no chaffies were there. The public was freely admitted to the ground floor, and there was a cash sweep on the top floor. There was some water on the ground floor for washing cups, glasses etc.

By the Coroner:—The electric light was not burning at the time of the collapse. The shed was a two-story building.

The enquiry was again adjourned.

SANITARY BOARD.

Question for Tuesday's Meeting.

At Tuesday's meeting of the Sanitary Board, Mr. F. B. L. Bowley, pursuant to notice, will ask:—

i. Has any estimate been received for the construction of a wholesale Poultry Market near the Sailors' Home?

ii. Has the proposed site an area of 9,300 square feet? And is it now let as a timber yard at \$250 per quarter?

iii. Could not the ground surface be concreted and channelled and about half the area roofed with concrete on brick pillars for less than \$5,000?

iv. Are not the poultry dealers willing to pay a rent which would recoup the \$5,000 in about 2 years and thereafter produce a substantial net increase to the revenue?

v. If so, what is the reason for further postponing a work which will be beneficial and profitable to the public, and will remove the long standing nuisance from Ko Shing and Li Sing Streets.

Mr. F. B. L. Bowley will also ask:—

i. Is there a sufficient supply in the Colony of the serum required for treatment of cerebro spinal meningitis? and is it available to private practitioners?

ii. In view of the prevalence of infectious diseases have any instructions been given to the Police to prevent overcrowding in theatres and other places of public resort?

The orders of the Day include:—Proposed amendment of B. Laws relating to carriers of infectious disease; Statement as to measures adopted in connection with the outbreak of cerebro spinal fever.

Bank Notes as Pipe Spills.

George Arthur Coulson, a man who was so rich at one time that he is said to have lit his pipe with bank notes, has died in poverty at Colchester at the age of 78. He was once the owner of large estates, but having squandered his fortune became an outcast. He had a seizure whilst driving a cab a few days ago and never rallied.

SPOTTED FEVER.

A Philippians Requirement.

With reference to the certificate required by the quarantine authorities in the Philippines Islands from passengers from Hongkong indicating that they have not been in contact with cases of cerebro-spinal meningitis, the American Consulate General has arranged that hereafter certificates need be signed only by the Public Health Surgeon of the United States attached to the Consulate General. No charge is made for this service, but passengers making application for such certificates should be prepared to show promptly and positively that they have not been in contact with the disease during two weeks previous to their application.

Canton Harbour Regulations.

The Harbour Master of Canton issues the following:—

Notice is hereby given that, in view of the prevalent epidemic of cerebro-spinal fever at Hongkong, master of vessels from that port bound for the port of Canton are to pay strict attention to Clause 28 of the Harbour Regulations which reads:—

"Vessels arriving having infectious disease on board, or any disease suspected to be infectious, and vessels any of whose crew or passengers have died of an infectious disease, or of a disease suspected to be infectious, during the voyage, shall, as provided for in the Quarantine Regulations of the port, anchor in Canton anchorage (c)."

"Such vessels are, on approaching the Harbour, to hoist the Quarantine Flag (letter Q), and keep it flying until pratique has been granted. No person shall be permitted to leave or board such vessel without a permit from the Harbour Master or the Port Health Officer."

In their own interests masters of vessels bound for Canton should endeavour to insure that passengers showing signs of sickness are not allowed to embark at Hongkong.

THE FLOWER SHOW.

Sale of Exhibits for War Funds.

The holding of this year's Flower Show is to result in a really big donation to the War Charities Fund, for, owing to the generosity of many of the exhibitors, their exhibits have been sold on behalf of the Fund. At the conclusion of the Show, many came forward and offered to donate some of their flowers and produce for the purpose of raising war funds, a notable example being Mr. Ho Kom Tong, who presented all his collection of exhibits, without reserve, these high class entries bringing in a large sum. The others who gave were Mr. E. Orniston, Mr. H. W. Looker, Mr. A. Nicol, Mr. H. B. L. Dowbiggin, the Ladies Recreation Club, Sir Paul Chater, Mrs. Ede, Mrs. Burd, Mrs. Griffin, Mrs. Dyer, Mr. T. E. Pearce, Mr. L. N. Leeds, Mr. W. Sinclair, Mr. Hardwick, Mrs. J. J. Harrington, Mr. K. A. Nicholson and others.

The principal buyers of the presented exhibits were Mr. E. Hancock, the Hon Mr. F. H. Holyoak, Mr. N. J. Stubb, Mr. Evan Orniston, Mr. E. B. L. Dowbiggin, Mr. Dastur, Mr. W. Sinclair, Mrs. A. B. Lowe, Mrs. Henry Humphreys, Mrs. Walters, Mrs. W. J. Carroll, Miss Loureiro, Mr. McMurray, Mr. T. C. Downing, and Mr. T. E. Pearce.

It is gratifying to record that over \$600 was realised from the sale of plants, vegetables and flowers and produce, and to this there is to be added the amount realised from the half receipts taken by the Hongkong Hotel for teas on the ground, which the Hotel has generously promised to hand over to war charities. Details of this amount will be given later.

We wish to state that Mr. F. B. L. Bowley's name was inadvertently omitted from the names of those serving on the committee.

ST. JOHN AMBULANCE BRIGADE.

Orders issued by Mr. E. Balphs.

Divisional Superintendents are requested to make known to the Members of their respective Divisions the contents of a Telegram recently received from Major-General J. O. Dalton, Chief-Commissioner, Brigade Overseas.

No. 2 V. A. D. Thursday, March 21st.—5 p.m. Route March. Fall in near the West Gate of the University in Pokfulam Road. Dress, Drill Order. No stretcher.

No. 3 V. A. D. Monday, March 18th.—1.15 p.m. Recruit Drill.

Tuesday, March 19th.—1.15 p.m. Recruit Drill.

Wednesday, March 20th.—2.30 p.m. Band Practice.

Thursday, March 21st.—1.15 p.m. Recruit Drill.

Friday, March 22nd.—1.15 p.m. Recruit Drill. 5.45 p.m. Company and Stretcher Drill.

Saturday, March 23rd.—2.30 p.m. Band Practice.

No. 4 V. A. D. Tuesday, March 19th.—12.30 p.m. Fall in for duty on Queen's College Football Ground, Dress, Drill Order. Four senior members, as warned, will carry haversacks. One stretcher will be required.

Thursday, March 21st.—4.20 p.m. Banding Practice.

Friday, March 22nd.—4.20 p.m. Squad and Stretcher Drill.

"B" Section.

Monday, March 18th.—1.20 p.m. First Aid Class.

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Thursday, March 21st.—1.20 p.m. First Aid Class.

Friday, March 22nd.—1.20 p.m. Bandaging Practice.

YESTERDAY'S FOOTBALL.

UNITED SERVICES LEAGUE.

This match, played on the club ground ended in a draw of two goals each. Mr. Wright was the referee and the teams were:—Navy:—Crocker; Brotherhood, Biggs; Randle, Bassett, Hollamby; Clarke, Travis, McNiven, Smith, Newman.

R.E.:—Clarke; Blumfield, Lucas; Charters; Smith, White; Stronge; Townsend, Osborne, Horrop, Pascall.

Play opened in favour of the Sappers, but by clever passing the Navy worked down to their opponents' goal, where McNiven gave his side the lead with a fine shot. The Navy nearly added to their lead a few minutes later, but Clarke saved well. A lovely chance came the way of Townsend to equalise matters with only the goalie to beat, but he shot straight into his hands. The Sappers forced three corners in quick succession, but nothing longable accrued. Half-time:—Navy, 1; R.E.O.

The Sappers had a good part of the game in the second half, and Townsend made matters level with a splendid shot from a very acute angle. Both sides were guilty of their very best, the passing being a pleasure to watch. The Navy took the lead about ten minutes from the finish, McNiven snapping up a good pass and giving Clarke no possible chance. The Sappers, not to be done, went down the field in fine style, Osborne making the score level by nicely heading past Crocker. There being no further scoring, the game ended a draw. The Navy had found some new men, which vastly improved their team, McNiven being a tower of strength at centre forward.

HONGKONG FINANCES.

Financial Statement for the month of November, 1914, issued by the Hongkong Treasury, shows the following revenue and expenditure:—

Balance of Assets and Liabilities on 31st October, 1914 ... \$3,621,330.22

Revenue from 1st to 30th November, 1914 ... 1,549,795.47

Expenditure from 1st to 30th November, 1914 ... 1,630,273.82

Balance, ... \$3,540,851.87

TO-DAY'S MISCELLANY.

There are probably not many precedents for the action of the late Joseph Wirth Clark who, while Mayor of Donsanter, declined the honour of presentation to King Edward after the 1st Leger on the ground that he could not break his rule never to attend races. The only one that occurs to me is that of Lord Chancellor Hatherly in a somewhat different connection. Affairs of State once took him to Windsor, and he received from Queen Victoria the usual Royal Command to "dine and sleep." He begged to be excused, on the ground that he had never since his marriage been parted from Lady Hatherly for so long. The Queen, whatever she may have thought, was not offended. The Lord Chancellor was excused, and later he and Lady Hatherly were both included in an invitation to Balmoral.

Probably few people are aware that they have to thank Sir Alphons Oclephas Morton, M.P., one of the 14 knights, for the law which prevents tram fares being raised on Bank Holidays and the like. Many years ago Mr. Morton happened to be on a tram and was asked 3d. for the ordinary 1d. stage, and when he protested he was blandly told that it was Bank Holiday, and that ordinary fares did not rule. As a consequence he "blocked" the next tramway Bill in the Commons and insisted on a clause to prevent this abuse, and the innovation became general.

I was amused (says Chalmers in the *Pall Mall Gazette*) while talking to a big tea merchant in the city to notice the way he spoke of the one and only consignment of China tea that has recently come upon the market. "Oh, that was not good enough. He alluded to the blends as 'Superbly choicest,' and so on. When I smiled at these etymological monstrosities he replied, 'Oh, don't think these are my own descriptions. They are taken from the labels on the imported tea chests. When a first chop, top-hole blend is indicated they have an even more flowery way of labelling them. They are then 'Hand-picked by the fairest maidens in the East!'"

The first modern theatre in the world to be operated without footlights is at Philadelphia. All the stage illumination will come from above, being as nearly as possible a reproduction of ordinary daylight. The system employed demands a long steel bridge of cast-iron of a section and 10 feet wide, which is thrown all the way across the proscenium arch directly behind the curtain. In the present instance this bridge will be 98 feet in length, and the steel construction will be the heaviest. On the bridge will be stationed 80 electricians, each handling two lamps, pointed downwards and maintained much as a soldier might aim a machine-gun. The "rays of light" completely envelop the characters on the stage below, and explore every corner of the stage. It is just as though an enormous sun were above the players. The effect is described as the most natural lighting ever seen in a theatre. The combined candle-power of these lamps is 160,000, and the electric current used at each performance would carry a submarine across the Atlantic.

Someone who saw the Kaiser enter Jerusalem, when he undertook his famous stunt, notes that it was a sight to remember. H. L. M. on a milk-white steed, supplied by Cook's and in a white uniform supplied by himself, flowing mantle and all, refused to enter any gate in Jerusalem that had not been specially built for him. A special hole was made in the famous walls, and the Kaiser followed by an immense cavalcade, of the circus sort, advanced towards the city in the clouds of dust that are such a bore in that part of the country. After the German Pastor had preached for one hour and three quarters at the new, opened church, the Kaiser himself mounted the pulpit and

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